

A PAIR OF GLASS SLIPPERS, DAINTY AND INTACT UNIQUE  
AMONG RELICS FOUND AT A CONSTRUCTION SITE IN COLOGNE

slippers made from  
two glass bottles

buried since the  
third century

the small bones  
of the woman the

glass hardly  
scratched. an

apprentice twisted  
the glass, cologne

hands trembling he  
put the slippers

into earth with  
his young wife so

her soul could  
move comfortably,

not come back to  
haunt him while

he still walked  
in his own body

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in a garden of  
children chickens  
pigs the old  
woman 130 on  
the porch in  
abkhazia under  
a babooska her  
eyes like cold  
water cigarette  
in her lips i  
first married at  
16 picked tea in  
the hills a glass  
of vodka in the  
morning wine by  
noon she remembers  
the big snow how  
her husband left  
to fight in crimea  
i was the fastest  
tea leaf picker  
married again  
during the turkish  
war i started  
smoking in 1911 at  
70 i shovelled  
snow from the roof  
i really think i'm  
140 she drinks  
to the women all  
over the world for  
them not to work  
too hard and be  
happy with their  
families